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Applicant : Ijudmila Grigorievna ASIANOVA

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIMEAssistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

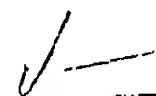
Applicant, through his undersigned attorney, respectfully requests a two month extension of time period for responding to the Office Action dated January 5, 2001. With this filing, the period for response is thus extended up to and including June 5, 2001.

Authorization is given to charge Deposit Account No. 02-4300 in the amount of \$140 (\$195 - \$55.00) for the extension of time fee for a small entity.

Please charge any additional fees which may be necessary with respect to this filing to the Deposit Account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 02-4300, and credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account.

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